SUBJECT No. 303.

Sale of books in the Government Book Depot

Messrs. Mahomed Imam Sab, Mir Mahomed Sab and Subba Rao, Tarikere taluk

Summary of discussion.—As delay sometimes occurs in procuring books from the Government Book Depot, pray that orders may be issued to the authorities concerned to supply them promptly.

Reply of Government.—Will receive attention.

SUBJECT No. 304.

Grants for public libraries and reading rooms.

Mr. Marulusiddappa, Hassan District Board.

Summary of discussion.—Public reading rooms and libraries may be given some grant from Government, thereby promoting their stability.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 305.

Kannada text-books for Local Service Examinations.

Messrs. Bhaskara Rao, Shimoga District Board, Sivaramiah, Srikantiah and Narayana Setty, Maddagiri taluk.

Summary of discussion.—To enable officials unacquainted with English to qualify themselves for the higher grades of Government service by passing the required tests, it is prayed that suitable text-books may be compiled in Kannada and issued for sale. The members referred particularly to the Accounts Test.

Reply of Government.—This is being done as far as possible.

PUBLIC WORKS.

(Nos. 306 to 309.)

SUBJECT No. 306.

Appropriation of D. P. W. budget grant.

Mr. H Krishnasastri, Sri Yadugiri Sadananda Vardhini Sabha, Melkote.

Summary of discussion.—It is prayed that one-half of the D. P. W. budget grant be utilised for general public works and the other half proportionately distributed to all taluks.

Reply of Government.—Not possible at present.

SUBJECT No. 307.

The up-keep of tanks.

Mr. Amble Anniah Pandit, Mysore City Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—It is prayed that the income from Cauvery Power may be utilised for the upkeep and repairs of tanks.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 308.

Deterioration of minor engineering works.

Mr. C Vasudeva Rao, Chikmagalur taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Pray that the reasons for the deterioration of minor engineering works, such as, buildings, roads, etc., may be kindly enquired into.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 309.

Rates in the P. W. D.

Mr. C. Srinivasa Rao, Chikmagalur taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The rates in the Public Works Department for several items of work were fixed long ago. On account of the rise in the price of food stuffs, etc., efficient work cannot be carried out at the present rates. Government may be pleased to revise them.

Reply of Government.—Noted.